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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Sun, 12 Sep 1993 14:26:21 GMT

From: library.ucla.edu!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!emory!

kd4nc!ke4zv!gary@network.ucsd.edu Subject: Aluminum Tower Info Needed

To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

In article <dstone.5.0@bnr.ca> dstone@bnr.ca (Danny Stone) writes: >I recently obtained a used aluminum tower. The tower consists of >eight, 8 foot sections (approx. 60' tower). The widest section is >at the base, with each sequential section tapering down, with the >narrowest section at the top.

>The tower is in quite good condition, with the exception of the >top most section, which has several large cracks in the tubing. >I would like replace this section, but I do not know who >manufactured this tower.... (The previous owner is unreachable.)

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>Can anyone tell me who manufactures *** aluminum *** towers. I >don't imagine there that many....

Alumina and Heights are two manufacturers of aluminum towers. I would urge you very strongly to have the tower sections inspected by a competent materials testing firm before trying to reuse these tower sections. Visible cracks are immediate reason to reject the section, but aluminum is also very subject to hidden fatigue failure and this can often be invisible until it's too late. I wouldn't even consider climbing *any* aluminum tower that has a section with visible cracks. It's very likely that all the sections are similarly ready to let go.

Steel Rohn 25G sections are often available used for a reasonable price. Steel is not nearly so prone to fatigue failure, and inspection is easier. If you must reuse old tower sections, it's best to stick with steel sections from a reputable manufacturer. I'd at least do a Dyechem test of even steel sections before trusting my life to them. Magnafluxing would be better.

Gary

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Gary Coffman KE4ZV | "If 10% is good enough | gatech!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary
Destructive Testing Systems | for Jesus, it's good | uunet!rsiatl!ke4zv!gary
534 Shannon Way | enough for Uncle Sam." | emory!kd4nc!ke4zv!gary
Lawrenceville, GA 30244 | -Ray Stevens |

Date: Sat, 11 Sep 1993 22:37:05 GMT

From: psinntp!isc-newsserver!jdc3538@uunet.uu.net

Subject: Losses from VHF/UHF connectors?

To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

How much loss is there from PL-239 and SO-239 connectors? Are there better connecters to use than these?

73...Jim N2VNO

Date: 12 Sep 93 07:25:15 GMT

From: ogicse!emory!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!gatech!bloom-beacon.mit.edu!

mcrcim.mcgill.edu!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Mods from EA5XE (for those with packet-radio)

To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

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Martin Heffels <zap@hacktic.nl> wrote:
[ bunch of stuff omitted -BH ]
>I have got nearly ONE THOUSAND MODS.
>This is a recopilation other mods received @ WW.
>I send it now LIST @ WW
>If you need some MODS sending a SP
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                                 -- -- 73 de Romualdo
                                 ('..')
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                                   / EA5XE @ EA5XE.EAV.ESP.EU
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                                          EA5XE @ EA5VDR.EAV.ESP.EU
>[Einde van bericht 22962 ]
Wow. I would very much like to add these mods to the archive. I do
not have a packet station -- can somone help?
Bruno
Maintainer of the McGill EETECH mods archive.
ham.eetech.mcgill.ca:/pub/ham-radio/mods
Bruno Hall | VE2HUM | bruno@cim.mcgill.edu | bruno@eetech.mcgill.ca
McGill University Centre for Intelligent Machines - Controls Group
New systems generate new problems -- Join the Flat Earth Society.
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Date: 5 Sep 1993 19:45:15 +0200
From: mcsun!sun4nl!hacktic!not-for-mail@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Mods from EA5XE (for those with packet-radio)
To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu
Hello
For those of you who have access to packet-radio, and haven't read this
message (yet), I thought this would be interesting. Maybe Romualdo could
share his mod-files with the guy which wants to retain them on Internet
(can't remember who that is, sorry).
------ cut here ------
Msg #22962 Type:B Stat:F Voor:MODS@WW Exp:EA5XE Date:05-Sep 04:16
Onderw.: Nearly ONE THOUSAND MODS *INFO*
Path: !PI8ZAA!PI8AIR!PI8VNW!PI8MID!ON4AWP!ON6AR!ON1BWP!ON7RC!ON1KGX!ON1KEZ!
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!F6KIF!F6ABJ!FF6RAC!F6PTT!F5L0!EA5RQ!EA5VDR!EA5XE!

From: EA5XE@EA5XE.EAV.ESP.EU

To : MODS@WW

I have got nearly ONE THOUSAND MODS. This is a recopilation other mods received @ WW. I send it now LIST @ WW If you need some MODS sending a SP -- -- 73 de Romualdo ('..') / EA5XE @ EA5XE.EAV.ESP.EU EA5XE @ EA5VDR.EAV.ESP.EU [Einde van bericht 22962] -----cut here ------Bye -martin-| "I-Man satta on the mountain top. | Name : Martin Heffels | Watching Babylon burning red hot" | e-mail : zap@hacktic.nl | - War inna Babylon, Max Romeo - | air-mail: PE1EEC@PI8JOP.NLD.EU | ______ -----Date: Sun, 12 Sep 1993 17:46:08 GMT From: dxis!k2ph@uunet.uu.net Subject: Power Module for Kenwood TM-231A? To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu Anybody know of a good (i.e., cheap) source for the S-AV17 50-watt power module that Kenwood uses in the TM-231A? Thanks in advance for your help. 73. Bob K2PH ______ | Bob Schreibmaier K2PH | UUCP: uunet!dxis!k2ph | Free the | | (a.k.a. "The QRPer") | INTERNET: k2ph@dxis.monroe.pa.us | Intel |

Date: Sat, 11 Sep 1993 23:45:05 GMT

From: csus.edu!netcom.com!feustel@decwrl.dec.com

Subject: Price of New Icom 707?

To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

Does anyone know what the price of the new Icom 707 is? Ditto for the Icom 77 (what is this?). Thanks.

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Fort Wayne, IN 46805
(219)-484-5705

Debt Elimination, not deficit reduction

Date: Sat, 11 Sep 93 22:09:58 GMT

From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!headwall.Stanford.EDU!EE.Stanford.EDU!

usenet@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Wanted: Motorola MAXAR docs

To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

HELP NEEDED!

I have a 2-channel Motorola MAXAR VHF radio (model D33TRA1300BK) and am looking for technical documenation (schematics, pinouts etc.) as well as procedure for re-tuning the radio to the 2-meter band.

If anybody can help me out, I'd certainly appreciate it.

reply direct, plumer@isl.stanford.edu

Thanks es 73,

Date: 13 Sep 1993 00:58:51 GMT

From: haven.umd.edu!cville-srv.wam.umd.edu!psionic@uunet.uu.net

Subject: Yaesu FT-470 To: ham-equip@ucsd.edu

Hello all, I recently puchased a Yaesu FT-470 Dual Band HT and I have some questions about it.

First of all I was made aware that this unit has several mods that can be made just by using the keypad and doing some reprogramming. So being the inquisitive fellow that I am, I decided to try to hack it out. I discovered some interesting things, among which is the fact that now my transceiver will no longer receive anything out of the 144-148 bands (whereas before it could receive from about 130-170 I believe)...I tried to do the "system reset" as described in the manual to no avail. Could someone please tell me what I did and how I can undo it? I'd rather not call Yaesu if I don't have to.

Additionally, the mod I was looking for would allow the transceiver to receive up to 500 MHz in the 440 band mode, and also additional frequencies in the 2 meter mode. Can someone tell me how to do this, and could you tell me of any other mods that may exist for this radio??

Thanks for any help you can provide...

-- Craig

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